



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 5561

February Session, 2014



**AN ACT CONCERNING STATE AND LOCAL CHARTER SCHOOL
ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRANSPARENCY AND PARTICIPATION IN
COOPERATIVE ARRANGEMENTS.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 10-66kk of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2014*):

3 (a) The governing council of each state and local charter school shall
4 post on any Internet web site that the council operates the (1) schedule,
5 (2) agenda, and (3) minutes of each meeting, including any meeting of
6 subcommittees of the governing council.

7 (b) The membership of the governing council of each state and local
8 charter school shall meet the requirements concerning such
9 membership set forth in the provisions of subdivision (3) of subsection
10 (d) of section 10-66bb at the time of application for a state or local
11 charter and at all other times.

12 Sec. 2. Section 10-66ll of the general statutes is repealed and the
13 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2014*):

14 Annually, the commissioner shall randomly select one state or local
15 charter school, as defined in subdivision (3) of section 10-66aa, to be
16 subject to a comprehensive financial audit conducted by an auditor

17 selected by the Commissioner of Education. Except as provided for in
 18 subsection (d) of section 10-66ee, the state or local charter school shall
 19 be responsible for all costs associated with the audit conducted
 20 pursuant to the provisions of this section.

21 Sec. 3. Subsection (m) of section 10-66ee of the 2014 supplement to
 22 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
 23 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2014*):

24 (m) [Charter] State and local charter schools may, to the same extent
 25 as local and regional boards of education, enter into cooperative
 26 arrangements as described in section 10-158a, provided such
 27 arrangements are approved by the Commissioner of Education. Any
 28 state or local charter school participating in a cooperative arrangement
 29 under this subsection shall maintain its status as a state or local charter
 30 school and not be excused from any obligations pursuant to sections
 31 10-66aa to 10-66ll, inclusive, as amended by this act.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2014</i>	10-66kk
Sec. 2	<i>July 1, 2014</i>	10-66ll
Sec. 3	<i>July 1, 2014</i>	10-66ee(m)

ED *Joint Favorable Subst.*